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Reference: FCC Docket Nos 96-45, 98-171, 90-571, 92-237, 99-200, 95-116, 98-170 and NSD File No. L-00-72.

Dear FCC:

I am writing to complain about the proposed changes to the Universal Service Fund and requesting that the FCC investigate this matter further before changing the current policy. Your proposed \$1.00 per month charge for all wireless phones will directly impact my ability to retain my wireless service.

I do not think it is fair to charge EVERYBODY \$1.00 dollar regardless of how they use their wireless phone, especially for a low-volume user that relies on wireless service for safety and security, not interstate calls. The current policy is fair, based on interstate usage, and should be left alone. Please do not penalize us. Keep this fair.

The American people are paying excessive Federal, State and local taxes. For someone that doesn't use a phone unless its an emergency, etc., or makes few calls, it is VERY unfair to continue to find some way for the government to continue to pick up a \$1.00 here and a \$1.00 there. This is overkill. Take it out of your own pocket - find a way to reduce the fees instead of consistently increasing them. Consider salary cuts, get rid of your luncheon perks, downsize. Most Americans, including myself, have had to take salary cuts from employers. It is time to conserve and not be frivolous. Instead of consistently taxing and charging, consider other alternatives that could benefit everyone, including the economy.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. Please provide a written response indicating the status/resolution of this matter.

Very truly yours,

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CC: FCC Subcommittee Members